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1923/24

Annual Report
OF THE
Town of Northwood
New Hampshire



For the Year Ending
January 31, 1924

Annual Reports of the
Town Officers

OF THE

Town of Northwood

For the Year Ending January 31, 1924



Town Officers

Moderator

Samuel W. Gerrish

Clerk

Roxianna E. Richardson

Treasurer

Westley J. Nelson

Selectmen

John A. Tasker

Albert Peterson

George B. Small

Supervisors

Harold W. Quimby

Allison L. Sherman

William Tasker

Tax Collectors

Oscar F. Cox

Harry L. Whiting

Auditors

Walter C. Chesley

Arthur C. Giles

Herbert C. Towle

Trustees of Trust Funds

Orrin M. James

Charles A. Foss

John G. Towle

Board of Education

Rosa Bennett Foss

Jettie M. Clark

Samuel W. Gerrish

Health Officer

John F. Merrill, M. D.

Library Trustees

Washington T. Leighton

Orrin M. James

Clarence C. Sanborn

Fire Chiefs

Dana C. Woodman

James W. Breen

Fire Warden

Charles C. Holmes

Constable

Frank P. Card

Police

Charles H. Kelley

Representative to General Court

Joel W. Steward

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Northwood, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Northwood, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to vote upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To elect one selectman for three years.
3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations for the same.
4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for interest on temporary loans.
5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for highways.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,550 to accept Trunk Line maintenance.
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350 for State Aid maintenance.

8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 117, Laws of 1917, on a section of the Central Road, so-called, and appropriate or set aside from the amount raised for Town Highways the sum of \$300.00 for this purpose.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to accept Federal Aid.

10. To see if the Town will vote to accept Trunk Line Aid for Construction.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to put cement top on bridge at Sherburne's Mill.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to put cement top on bridge at Berry's Hill.

13. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road leading from the David Knowles' corner to Bennett's bridge.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to co-operate with the State in Pine Blister Rust Eradication.

15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for setting out pines on the school lot.

16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate in excess of the amount required by law for the Northwood Public Library.

17. To see if the Town will vote to observe Old Home Day and raise and appropriate money for the same.

18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day.

19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money to replace temporary loans.

20. To see if the Town will vote to discount 2 per cent. on all property tax paid on or before August 1st.

21. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for all other purposes.

Given under our hands and seal, the seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty four.

JOHN A. TASKER,
ALBERT PETERSON,
GEORGE B. SMALL,
Selectmen of Northwood.

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

JOHN A. TASKER,
ALBERT PETERSON,
GEORGE B. SMALL,
Selectmen of Northwood.

BUDGET

of the Town of Northwood, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the
 Ensuing Year, January 31, 1924 to January 31, 1925,
 Compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of
 the Previous Year, January 31, 1923 to January 31,
 1924.

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Act. Rev. Prev.Yr. 1923	Est. Rev. Ens'g. Yr. 1924
FROM STATE:		
Railroad tax,	\$17 13	\$17 13
Savings bank tax,	1,771 66	1,771 66
For fighting forest fires,	31 30	50 00
For Highways:		
Trunk Line unimproved,	352 05	300 00
(a) For State aid maintenance,		350 00
(b) For Trunk Line maintenance,		3,100 00
Interest and dividend tax,	2 94	2 94
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Auto tax,	1,378 55	1,000 00
From poll taxes,	1,491 00	1,400 00
Revenue Applicable Only to New Construction and Improvements:		
From State:		
For Trunk Line highway construction,	4,000 00	7,500 00
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes,		
Amount raised by property taxes,	\$21,704 73	
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	\$30,749 36	\$15,491 73

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Act. Ex. Prev. Yr. 1923	Est. Ex. Ens'g. Yr. 1924
Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
Town officers' salaries and expenses,	\$1,144 70	\$1,200 00
Election and registration expenses,	62 50	150 00
Municipal court expenses,	72 81	25 00
Care and supplies for town hall,	278 03	225 00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police department,	58 00	75 00
Fire department,	110 00	75 00
Health:		
Health department,	22 50	20 00
Vital statistics,	3 75	10 00
Highways and Bridges:		
State Aid Maintenance:		
State's contribution,		350 00
Town's contribution,	327 49	350 00
Trunk Line Maintenance:		
State's contribution,		3,100 00
Town's contribution,	2,159 67	1,550 00
Town maintenance,	4,242 21	3,500 00
Unimproved Trunk line,	352 07	300 00
General expense of highway department,	808 08	10 00
Education:		
Libraries,	148 00	248 00
Charities:		
Town poor,	1,580 98	1,000 00
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day and other celebrations,	625 00	75 00
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries,	2 00	
Interest:		
On temporary loans,	818 32	500 00
On principal of trust funds used by town,		300 00

Outlay for New Construction and Permanent

Improvements:

Highways and Bridges,		\$600 00
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Trunk line construction:		
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Town's contribution,	\$2,000 00	\$2,500 00
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Indebtedness:

Payment on principal of school debt,	500 00	500 00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State taxes,	1,529 50	1,529 50
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County taxes,	1,847 41	1,847 41
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Payments to school districts,	8,582 00	9,000 00
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Pine Blister Rust,		400 00
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	\$27,275 02	\$29,439 91

Selectmen's Report

Resident land and buildings,	\$415,990 00
Non-resident,	162,190 00
Horses, 205,	17,865 00
Mules and asses, 7,	625 00
Oxen, 2,	200 00
Cows, 444,	12,775 00
Neat stock, 32,	1,265 00
Sheep, 112,	681 00
Fowls, 6,994,	10,460 00
Vehicles, 2,	400 00
Boats and launches, 2,	300 00
Wood and lumber,	39,550 00
Portable mills,	1,000 00
Money on hand, at interest, or on deposit,	250 00
Stock in trade,	20,175 00
Mills and machinery,	27,000 00
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Total,	\$686,426 00
Property exempted soldiers, soldiers' wives, and widows,	\$8,245 00

AMOUNT GIVEN TO TAX COLLECTORS

Oscar F. Cox,	\$10,272 41
Oscar F. Cox, 317 polls,	1,559 00
Harry L. Whiting,	11,429 38
Harry L. Whiting, 182 polls,	898 00
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	\$24,158 79

APPROPRIATIONS

State tax,	\$1,529 50
County tax,	1,847 41
Town charges,	2,500 00
Interest,	600 00
Town highways,	3,000 00
Trunk line maintenance,	1,200 00
State aid maintenance,	280 00
Unimproved maintenance,	350 00
Federal aid construction,	2,000 00
Library by vote,	100 00
Library by law,	48 00
Old Home Day,	350 00
Memorial Day,	75 00
World War soldiers' memorial,	100 00
Schools,	7,782 00
Payment on school debt,	500 00
High school, books and supplies,	800 00
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	\$23,061 91

ASSETS

Cash	
In hands of treasurer,	\$564 81
Accounts due Town:	
Taxes not collected, levy, 1920, O. F. Cox,	6 86
Taxes not collected, levy, 1921, O. F. Cox,	79 60
Taxes not collected, levy, 1922, O. F. Cox,	236 12
Taxes not collected, levy, 1923, O. F. Cox,	2,652 52
Taxes not collected, levy, 1923, H. L. Whit- ing,	539 10
Due from County of Rockingham, per county poor,	130 00
Taxes bought by town,	577 55

Due from State, trunk line construction,	\$2,500 00
Rails and posts,	250 00
Bridge plank,	110 00
Tarvia,	100 00
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Total assets,	\$7,746 56
Excess of liabilities over assets,	8,149 45
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	\$15,896 01

LIABILITIES

Due school district, balance 1923,	\$1,882 00
Due school district, per dog licenses,	207 00
Due school district, rent of school lot,	25 00
Due fire department, unexpended balance in treasury,	143 65
Temporary loans outstanding:	
John W. Drake,	178 60
Alice L. Tasker,	700 00
Calvin Baptist Society,	500 00
Jettie M. Clark,	400 00
Estate of Electa A. Cotton,	208 00
John G. Towle, Harvey Lake Cemetery Asso- ciation,	150 00
Cemetery Trust Funds, John G. Towle, trustee,	7,501 76
Rochester Trust Company,	4,000 00
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	\$15,896 01

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, lands and buildings,	\$1,500 00
Parsonage pastures,	2,000 00
School lots,	1,000 00

Fire department apparatus,	\$800 00
Gravel banks,	350 00
Iron road roller,	150 00
Four snow rollers,	250 00
Two plows,	40 00
Road machine,	285 00
Small tools,	50 00
Cotton meadow,	5 00
Schools, land and buildings,	5,000 00
Library equipment,	2,000 00
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	\$13,430 00

RECEIPTS

1. From local taxes,	\$25,325 09
2. Taxes redeemed, previous years,	675 06
From State:	
3. State aid maintenance,	27 85
4. Trunk line maintenance,	611 03
4. Trunk line, unimproved,	351 32
6. Trunk line construction,	6,500 00
7. Railroad tax,	17 13
8. Savings bank tax,	1,771 66
9. Forest fire bill,	15 70
From County:	
10. Support of county poor,	327 75
From Local Sources Except Taxes:	
11. Dog licenses,	207 00
12. Rent of parsonage pastures,	8 00
13. Automobile tax, 1923, 1924,	1,378 55
14. Town of Strafford, account of J. H. Canney,	150 33
15. Rent of school lot,	25 00
16. Material used for town line con- struction,	115 54

17. Temporary loans,	\$13,128 60
18. John G. Towle, trustee of trust funds,	7,501 76
19. Estate of Moses Sherburne, trust fund,	150 00
20. Emma Hunter, trust fund,	200 00
21. Estate of Henry Veasey, trust fund,	100 00
22. Annie M. Clark, trust fund,	100 00
23. Abbie J. Whitehouse, trust fund,	100 00
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	\$58,787 37
Cash on hand at beginning of year,	4,549 63
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Grand total,	\$63,337 00

PAYMENTS

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

Town officers' salary and expenses,	\$1,144 70
Election and registration,	62 50
Municipal court,	72 81
Care and supplies for town hall,	278 03
Police department,	58 00
Fire department,	110 00
Health department,	22 50
Vital statistics,	3 75
State aid maintenance,	318 49
Trunk line maintenance,	2,159 67
Trunk line, unimproved,	713 14
Town maintenance,	4,242 21
General expense, highway department,	808 08
Libraries,	148 00
Soldiers' aid,	92 00
Town poor,	1,580 98
County poor,	196 48

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Patriotic purposes,	\$625 00
Cemeteries,	226 25
Unclassified,	757 82
Abatements refunded,	390 88
Interest,	594 07
Trunk line construction,	10,889 82
Temporary loans,	23,673 49
Taxes paid to state,	2,267 50
County tax,	1,847 41
Payments to school district,	9,488 61
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	\$62,772 19
Cash on hand at end of year,	564 81
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Grand total,	\$63,337 00

Detailed Statement of Payments

General Government

DETAIL 1

SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF PRINCIPAL TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, John A. Tasker, year	
1922, in full,	\$27 00
Albert Peterson, year 1922,	
in full,	31 50
George B. Small, year 1922,	
in full,	22 50
John A. Tasker, year 1923,	
in part,	80 00
Albert Peterson, year 1923,	
in part,	78 00
George B. Small, year 1923,	
in part,	81 00
John A. Tasker, expense,	
year 1923, in part,	30 50
Albert Peterson, expense	
year 1923, in part,	30 50
George B. Small, expense	
year 1923, in part,	29 35
Treasurer, Westley J. Nelson,	31 25
Walter C. Chesley,	43 75
Town Clerk, R. E. Richardson,	75 00
Tax Collectors, Fred C. Giles, in	
full,	47 67
Oscar F. Cox, year 1918, in	
full,	2 56

Oscar F. Cox, year 1919, in full,	\$1 62
Oscar F. Cox, year 1922, in part,	75 00
Oscar F. Cox, year 1923, in part,	105 00
Harry L. Whiting, year 1923, in part,	163 75
Auditors, Herbert C. Towle,	3 00
C. A. Foss,	15 00
Walter C. Chesley,	9 00
A. B. Moore, meals for town officers,	55 50
R. E. Richardson, commission on automobile tax,	54 00
R. E. Richardson, postage,	2 83
R. E. Richardson, notifying dog owners,	80
John A. Tasker, attending N. H. Assessors' Association,	14 00
Albert Peterson, attending N. H. Assessors' Association,	14 00
George B. Small, attending N. H. Assessors' Association,	14 00
Westley J. Nelson, postage,	87
R. E. Richardson, bond,	5 00
Total,	<hr/> \$1,144 70

DETAIL 2

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Supervisors, Harold W. Quimby,	\$12 50
Allison L. Sherman,	12 50
Wm. Tasker,	10 50
Ballot Clerks, C. A. Foss,	24 00
H. C. Towle,	3 00
	<hr/> \$62 50

DETAIL 3

MUNICIPAL COURT

Wm. H. Sleeper, legal services,	\$59 81	
Geo. B. Small, M. Smith case,	6 50	
John A. Tasker, M. Smith case,	6 50	
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DETAIL 4

CARE AND SUPPLIES FOR TOWN HALL

J. A. Tasker, telephone and post- age,	\$7 40	
Edson C. Eastman, supplies,	20 34	
Tasker & Johnson, supplies,	1 00	
R. E. Lane, supplies,	3 20	
Giles & Son, supplies,	1 85	
Bertha A. Trickey, stamps,	2 00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.,	1 20	
Automobile Service Bureau,	8 37	
Hayes Lang, sawing wood,	5 00	
Albert Peterson, stamps and ex- press,	3 26	
Thomas Chaplin, wood,	6 00	
Arthur Cotton, insurance,	46 86	
Geo. M. Bartlett, wood,	7 00	
I. H. Bennett, stamps,	10 00	
Record Press, printing,	136 94	
The Telegraph Printing Co.,	17 61	
	<hr/>	\$278 03

DETAIL 5

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Frank P. Card,	\$7 50
Charles H. Kelley,	21 00

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Harry W. Holmes,	\$9 00	
Louis Hicks,	3 00	
John A. Tasker,	10 00	
Chester P. Wallace,	7 50	
	<hr/>	\$58 00

DETAIL 6

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dana C. Woodman, fire extin-		
guisher,	\$25 00	
Thomas J. White, chemicals,	20 00	
George B. Small, forest fire,	42 60	
Albert Peterson,	6 00	
I. H. Bennett,	13 40	
I. H. Bennett, pails,	3 00	
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DETAIL 7

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

J. F. Merrill, M. D., health officer,	\$20 00	
Walter Scott, burying deer,	2 50	
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DETAIL 8

VITAL STATISTICS

J. F. Merrill, M. D.,	3 75
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Highways and Bridges

DETAIL 9

STATE AND MAINTENANCE

Selectmen,	\$247 74	
Frank H. Gray,	16 75	
Hayes W. Lang,	63 00	
	<hr/>	\$318 49

DETAIL 10

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

Selectmen,	\$1,698 82	
Frank H. Gray,	107 35	
Hayes W. Lang,	353 50	
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DETAIL 11

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE, UNIMPROVED

Selectmen,	\$330 25	
Hayes W. Lang,	382 89	
	<hr/>	\$713 14

DETAIL 12

HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE TOWN ACCOUNT

	Summer	Winter
Selectmen, trunk line, Furber's Corner and Strafford road,		\$414 12
J. A. Tasker (3 Dists),	\$614 32	72 71
G. M. Bartlett,	434 17	18 64
E. D. Tasker,	216 83	124 75
J. H. Spence,	62 10	72 50
C. R. Buckford,	62 36	35 81
W. D. Boody,	155 13	202 32
W. T. Dunning,	160 00	145 13
C. H. Kelley,	21 25	50 40
Pearley Brown,	195 00	66 02
Max Montgomery,	107 00	178 88
Harry L. Knowlton,	23 00	18 01
Thomas Chaplin,		11 25
Louis Pinkham,	102 50	36 00
J. A. Tasker, Suncook Pond road,	65 00	
J. A. Tasker, Pleasant Pond road,	23 00	

Northeast Metal Culvert Co., cul-	
verts,	\$189 73
The Berger Mfg. Co., culverts,	369 08
Total,	<hr/> \$4,242 21

DETAIL 13

GENERAL EXPENSES HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Northeast Metal Culvert Co., road	
machine,	\$285 00
C. A. Foss, rails,	244 00
E. E. Tudor Hart, gravel bank,	100 00
Langdell Lumber Co., plank,	41 20
Bickford & Huckins, lumber and	
labor,	30 68
C. L. Jenness, gravel bank,	25 00
J. E. Bartlett, oak posts,	28 00
Tasker & Johnson, supplies,	27 96
Giles & Son, supplies,	1 74
A. B. Moore, plow,	5 00
R. W. Lawrey, blacksmith work,	1 50
H. L. Knowlton, use of well 2 yrs.,	6 00
W. B. Smith, use of well,	3 00
Dana C. Woodman, use of well,	3 00
H. E. Hoar, use of well,	3 00
I. H. Bennett, use of well,	3 00
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DETAIL 14

LIBRARIES

O. M. James,	\$148 00
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DETAIL 15

Soldiers' aid,	\$92 00
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DETAIL 16

TOWN POOR

Mrs. George D. Brown,	\$322 74	
Mary J. Davis,	171 56	
Bryant children,	363 00	
John Canney,	85 33	
John W. Wilson,	260 64	
L. D. Whitham,	303 41	
John Brown,	68 00	
Care of tramps,	6 30	
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DETAIL 17

COUNTY POOR

Herman Brown,	\$132 88	
Joseph Perkins,	54 85	
Edwin Goodwin,	8 75	
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DETAIL 18

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Ethelyn Merrill, memorial tablet,	\$125 00	
P. B. Dow, Memorial Day,	75 00	
Walter C. Chesley,	350 00	
Walter C. Chesley, dedication of memorial tablet,	75 00	
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DETAIL 19

CEMETERIES

John G. Towle,	\$149 50	
H. W. Holmes,	36 00	
J. A. Dumas,	36 75	
J. A. Dumas, town lot,	2 00	
Ella Emerson,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$226 25

DETAIL 20

UNCLASSIFIED

Fred C. Giles, taxes bought by town,	\$237 59	
Oscar F. Cox, taxes bought by town,	512 23	
L. W. Ranger, $\frac{1}{4}$ parsonage pasture rent,	2 00	
G. S. Adams, $\frac{1}{4}$ parsonage pasture rent,	2 00	
Jettie M. Clark, $\frac{1}{4}$ parsonage pasture rent,	2 00	
Gertrude Towle, $\frac{1}{4}$ parsonage pasture rent,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$757 82

DETAIL 21

ABATEMENTS REFUNDED

List of Abatements for Fred C. Giles
1921 Tax

Geo. Bryant, out of town,	\$5 00
Jessie Bartlett, out of town,	5 00
Annie Bartlett, out of town,	5 00
J. C. Perkins, poor,	5 00
Lizzie M. Perkins, poor,	5 00

1922 Tax

Bertha M. Braley, out of town,	\$5 00
T. A. Coarson, out of town,	5 00
George M. Braley, out of town,	5 00
Mabel Linquist, out of town,	5 00
Elizabeth Ball, out of town,	5 00
Chas. Stackpole, over 70 years,	5 00

Geo. Bryant, out of town,	\$5 00	
Robert A. Yeaton, paid out of town,	3 00	
Wm. H. Yeaton, paid out of town,	5 00	
Gilbert C. Wallace, paid in Lynn,		
Mass.,	5 00	
Gladys Cameron, in part,	2 00	
Arthur Kelley, out of town,	3 00	
Helen Saul, out of town,	5 00	
Chas. F. Cook, paid in Deerfield,	5 00	
Mrs. Chas. F. Cook, paid in Deerfield,	5 00	
Frank Kelley, poor,	5 00	
Alice Kelley, poor,	5 00	
Discount on 1922 tax paid before		
July 1,	51 25	
	<hr/>	\$154 25

List of Abatements for Oscar F. Cox, Year 1921

Horace Andrews, out of town,	\$5 00
Walter Pender, poor,	5 00
Anna Pender, poor,	5 00
Joseph E. Wood, out of town,	5 00
Martha Wood, out of town,	5 00
Mabel E. Witham, poor,	5 00
Martha Witham, poor,	5 00

List of Abatements for Oscar F. Cox, Year 1922

Discount on taxes paid before	
before July 1st,	\$61 25
Rebate on seedling pines,	1 50
Rebate on E. O. Tuttle's horse,	2 63
Ida Greenleaf, over 70 years,	5 00
Lilla Burchstead, deceased,	5 00
Henry Burchstead, out of town,	5 00
F. W. Hill, deceased,	5 00

Florence M. Stevens, over 70 years,	\$5 00	
Lettie Gerrish, out of town,	5 00	
Frank Hanson, out of town,	5 00	
Samuel Hoitt, paid in Manchester,	5 00	
Elizabeth Logan, over 70 years,	5 00	
Melvina Willey, out of town,	5 00	
H. E. Arnold, out of town,	5 00	
Anna L. Arnold, out of town,	5 00	
Atta L. Piper, out of town,	5 00	
Ida Eaton, over 70 years,	5 00	
Esther Day, over 70 years,	5 00	
Horace Andrews, over 70 years,	5 00	
Oriana Lester, out of town,	5 00	
Jean Reid, out of town,	5 00	
Delia Lord, deceased,	5 00	
Mabel Witham, poor,	5 00	
Martha Witham, poor,	5 00	
Roy Witham, paid in Barnstead,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$236 63

DETAIL 22

INTEREST

National State Capitol Bank,	\$248 45	
Rochester Trust Company,	100 00	
John G. Towle, treasurer, H. L. C.		
Association,	7 50	
John G. Towle, trustee of trust		
funds,	48 37	
John W. Drake,	8 50	
Alice L. Tasker,	35 00	
The Calvin Baptist Society,	25 00	
W. C. Chesley,	121 25	
	<hr/>	\$594 07

DETAIL 23

TRUNK LINE CONSTRUCTION

Selectmen,	\$10,889 82
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DETAIL 24

TEMPORARY LOANS

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	\$23,673 49
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DETAIL 25

STATE AND COUNTY TAX

State tax, Geo. E. Ferrand,	\$1,529 50	
County tax, Stewart E. Rowe,	1,847 41	
Soldiers' bonus tax,	736 00	
N. H. Assessors' Asso., dues,	2 00	
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DETAIL 26

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Westley J. Nelson,	\$3,065 00	
Walter C. Chesley,	6,432 61	
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Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. TASKER,
ALBERT PETERSON,
GEORGE B. SMALL,
Selectmen of Northwood.

Northwood, N. H., Feb. 4, 1924.

We, the undersigned, have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen as exhibited to us by them and found them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HERBERT C. TOWLE,
CHARLES A. FOSS,
Auditors.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report of the town of Northwood for
the year ending January 31, 1924.

Cash in treasury Jan. 31, 1923 \$4,549 63

Received of Collectors:

Oscar F. Cox, taxes for the
year 1919, \$1 25

Oscar F. Cox, taxes for the
year 1920, 5 03

Oscar F. Cox, taxes for the
year 1921, 102 19

Oscar F. Cox, taxes for the
year 1922, 3,776 74

Oscar F. Cox, taxes for the
year 1923, 8,359 60

Oscar F. Cox, interest on
taxes year 1922, 79 50

Fred C. Giles, taxes for the
year 1921, 23 48

Fred C. Giles, taxes for the
year 1922, 2,016 46

Fred C. Giles, interest on taxes,
1922, 29 92

Harry L. Whiting, taxes for the
year 1923, 10,930 92

\$25,325 09

Received from Selectmen:

Notes, \$20,630 36

Trust funds, 650 00

Taxes redeemed, 675 06

State Highway Dept.,	\$7,490 20
State Forest Fires Dept.,	15 70
State railroad tax,	17 13
State Savings bank tax,	1,771 66
Dog licenses,	207 00
State Highway Commissioner,	
lumber sold,	115 54
County of Rockingham,	327 75
Rent of school lot pasture,	25 00
Rent of parsonage lot pasture,	8 00
Auto permits, 1923,	882 73
Auto permits, 1924,	495 82
Town of Strafford,	150 33
	<hr/> \$33,462 28
Total received,	\$63,337 00
Paid orders of selectmen,	\$62,772 19
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Balance (cash on hand Jan. 31, 1924),	\$564 81

Respectfully submitted

WALTER C. CHESLEY,
Town Treasurer.

Northwood, N. H., February 5, 1924.

We, the undersigned, have this day examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer, as exhibited to us by him, and found them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HERBERT C. TOWLE,
CHAS. A. FOSS,
Auditors.

Trust Funds

Held by the Town of Northwood, N. H., Jan. 31, 1924

Dearborn Fund,	\$100 00
Albion Knowlton Fund,	202 30
Morse Fund,	410 16
Blake Fund,	228 48
Wm. Davis Fund,	100 38
D. Bennett Fund,	57 98
Francis Tasker Fund,	101 16
Robinson and Caverly Fund,	201 27
Nealey Fund,	101 16
E. S. Tasker Fund,	101 16
Buzzell Fund,	219 08
J. Berry Fund,	101 16
Sewards Fund,	201 20
W. M. Durgin Fund,,	206 76
Pearl Fund,	201 17
D. Knowles Fund,	610 62
Geo. Chesley Fund,	100 63
Locke Fund,	101 16
Waldron Fund,	100 61
Lydia Fogg Fund,	101 16
C. A. Hill Fund,	202 31
C. H. Johnson Fund,	105 57
J. Gerrish Fund,	222 51
J. A. Nute Fund,	117 49
E. V. B. Fogg Fund,	103 38
E. P. Fogg Fund,	156 83
Joseph Hill Fund,	206 77
G. Durgin Fund,	305 06
John Marsh Fund,	102 42

Foye and Adams Fund,	\$100 65
N. Hill Fund,	100 00
A. Bennett Fund,	100 00
G. R. Hill Fund,	200 00
L. Cate Fund,	100 00
J. E. Day Fund,	100 00
Joseph Cilley Fund,	407 00
Fred Fogg Fund,	100 92
Dudley Tilton Fund,	102 42
Augusta Tasker Fund,	309 28
Electa Cotton Fund,	100 60
Electa Cotton, C. H. H. R. C.,	52 30
Henry Veasey Fund,	101 00
Moses G. James Fund,	100 66
W. B. Sherburne Fund,	153 00
Benjamin W. Clarke Fund,	101 33
Gilman Batchelder Fund,	202 66

\$7,501 76

For which the Trustees hold town note.

Lancaster Fund, which the Trustees hold

Liberty Bond, \$100 00

J. G. TOWLE,

For the Trustees.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE

Received of Town of Northwood, \$350 00

Received Schubert Quartette,

door money, 87 75

\$437 75

PAID AS FOLLOWS

Schubert Quartette,	\$95 60	
Nevers' Band,	178 00	
The Record Press, printing,	31 25	
C. A. Foss, ball team,	25 00	
Mina E. Trickey, sheet music,	3 06	
Alvin Leighton, ball game expense,	5 00	
Orrin M. James, material for decorations,	2 40	
Ladies' Aid at Ridge Church, dinners,	30 25	
Mrs. Clark, hotel bill for quartette,	12 50	
D. L. Miner, printing tickets,	2 00	
Mrs. Dr. Piper, telephoning and postage,	1 18	
Edwin H. Prescott, travelling expenses,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$396 24
Balance due the town,		<hr/> \$ 41 51

WALTER C. CHESLEY,

Committee Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF MEMORIAL TABLET
COMMITTEE

Received of Town of Northwood,	\$200 00
Paid for tablet plate,	120 00
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Balance due the town,	\$80 00

WALTER C. CHESLEY,

Committee Treasurer.

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Board and Citizens of Northwood:

The addition of Farmington Special district to Supervisory Union, No. 17, this year, has increased the size of the Union so there are now twenty-one buildings being used for school purposes. There are forty teachers employed and over eight hundred pupils registered. The school districts now included in the Union are: Northwood, Nottingham, Strafford, Farmington Town, and Farmington Special.

The vote taken at the last annual meeting of the school district to pay for the books and supplies used by the Northwood pupils attending Coe's Academy was a forward step, which gives all children of the town free high school privileges. This provision should continue to be made in the years to come.

Credit is due the Harvey Lake Woman's Club, as that organization has voted to help bear the expense of the hot lunches served at the schools this year. This expense has been met by the Red Cross Society previously. The lunches served at the noon hour are of real value to the pupils who are unable to go home for a hot dinner.

Changing the location of the furnaces and installing new pipes at the Ridge school has greatly improved the heating facilities. Now it is possible to maintain a uniform temperature and keep the rooms comfortable for teachers and pupils. This should also result in an economy of fuel consumed.

Classes in sewing for the upper grade girls are being conducted once each week. This enrichment of the

curriculum comes as the result of interest manifested in the schools by one of our citizens.

Questions are frequently asked about the duties of the School Board and of the Superintendent; so it may be in order to enumerate some of them. The School Board elect and determine the salaries of the teachers, authorize all purchases, prepare the financial budget, make out the school calendar, make rules for the attendance of pupils under eight years of age, arrange for the transportation of pupils, repair school buildings, and exercise the powers vested in them by law or by regulations of the State Board. The superintendent prescribes the methods of teaching, nominates the teachers, chooses the textbooks and supplies, sets the standards of promotion from one grade to another, assisted by the advice of the teachers promotes and demotes pupils, distributes and keeps account of all supplies, and keeps such records and makes such reports as shall be required by the School Board or the State Board.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE C. SANBORN,
Superintendent of Schools.

Roll of Honor

Perfect Attendance for the School Year, 1922-23
Alma L. Kelley, Reginald Dunham, Clara Gardener,
Muriel Strachan.

Two Terms

Beulah Clark, Leona Come, Roland Thorne, Kenneth
Day, Cecilia Come, Genevieve Taylor, Rose Come,
Agnes Deslaures, Olive Tuttle, Violet Smith, Gerald
Johnson, Edith Clement.

ESTIMATED SCHOOL BUDGET

For the School Year Beginning July 1, 1924

Support of elementary schools,	\$7,585 00	
High school tuition and supplies,	3,810 00	
Officers' salaries,	120 00	
\$2 per capita tax,	390 00	
Payment of principal of debt,	500 00	
Payment of interest of debt,	46 08	
Deficit 1923-24,	600 00	
	<hr/>	\$13,051 08
Less Estimated Revenue:		
State aid,	\$2,715 00	
Rent of school lot,	15 00	
Elementary tuition,	40 00	
Dog tax,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,970 00
To be raised by taxation,		<hr/> \$10,081 08

NORTHWOOD SCHOOL STATISTICS, 1922-1923

Teacher	School	Total Registration	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance
Ridge, Grades 1-2	Ina A. Huddell	17	15	94
Ridge, Grades 3-5	Liza Batchelder	34	29	92
Ridge, Grades 6-8	Annie C. Giles	26	24	91
Narrows, Grades 1-3	Miriam G. Towle	22	12	92
Narrows, Grades 4-5	Edna M. Quimby	20	17	88
Narrows, Grades 6-8	E. Vivian Scott	27	23	86
Mountain	Anna M. Page	10	8	88
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	Totals	156	128	90
Coe's Academy	{ Westley J. Nelson Jean Reid Lillian Fifield	53	46	95

Report of School Board

For the Year Ending June 30, 1923

RECEIPTS

On hand July 1, 1922,	\$32 24	
Received for ashes,	4 60	
Received from School District of Pittsfield,	108 00	
Received for curtains,	3 25	
Received from State treasurer,	2,965 85	
Received from Amoskeag National Bank, interest on deposits,	10 00	
Received from Town treasurer,	8,725 00	
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Total receipts,		\$11,848 94

EXPENDITURES

School Board:		
Samuel W. Gerrish,	\$25 00	
Mrs. C. A. Foss,	25 00	
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		\$50 00
School Treasurer, W. J. Nelson,		\$25 00
Superintendent's excess salary,		\$246 67
Enumeration of scholars:		
Mary Whiting,	\$10 00	
Supplies,	5 31	
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		\$15 31
Other expenses of administration,		\$4 15
Teachers:		
E. Vivian Scott,	\$720 00	
Edna M. Quimby,	720 00	

Miriam G. Towle,	\$720 00	
Annie C. Giles,	720 00	
Liza Batchelder,	740 00	
Iva A. Huddell,	720 00	
Anna Page,	504 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,844 00
Textbooks,		\$203 40
Scholars' supplies,		252 01
Graduating exercises,		3 85
Other expenses of instruction,		22 43
Janitor service:		
F. S. Swain,	\$180 00	
F. P. Card,	270 00	
Samuel Colcord,	36 00	
	<hr/>	\$486 00
Fuel,		\$381 03
Building and janitors' supplies,		30 09
Repair of buildings,		89 09
Replacement of equipment,		90 80
Per capita tax,		322 00
Medical inspection, Dr. J. F. Merrill,		50 00
Transportation of pupils:		
Harold E. Batchelder,	\$1,260 00	
J. H. Spencer,	234 00	
C. B. Wallace,	96 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,590 00
High school tuition:		
Coe's Northwood Academy,		\$2,072 00
Insurance,		75 00
Interest on debt,		96 08
Payment on debt, Jettie M. Clarke,		500 00
Alteration of buildings,		371 15
Total expenditures,		<hr/> \$11,820 06
Balance on hand June 30, 1923,		28 88
		<hr/> \$11,848 94

Balance due from town for the year ending June 3, 1923,	\$623 61
Outstanding Notes against the School District for the Year Ending June 30, 1923	
Electa Cotton estate,	\$150 00
Abbie Larokey,	500 00
Jettie M. Clarke,	500 00
Walter C. Chesley,	401 52
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	\$1,551 52

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL W. GERRISH,
MRS. C. A. FOSS,
School Board.

Northwood, N. H., July 14, 1923.

This is to certify that we, the undersigned, have examined the accounts of the School Board and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched with a balance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, amounting to \$28.88.

WALTER C. CHESLEY,
ARTHUR C. GILES,
Auditors of School District.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report of the School District of North-
wood for the Year Ending June 30, 1923

RECEIPTS

Cash in treasury June 30, 1922,	\$32 24
Received for ashes,	4 60
Received from School District of Pittsfield,	108 00
Received for curtains,	3 25
Received from State Treasurer,	2,965 85
Received from Amoskeag National Bank, interest on deposits,	10 00
Received from Town Treasurer,	8,725 00
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Total receipts	\$11,848 94
Paid orders of School Board,	11,820 06
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Balance on hand, June 30, 1923,	\$28 88

WESTLEY J. NELSON,
School Treasurer.

Library Report

Following is a statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year:

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1923,	\$6 78
Received from town,	148 00
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	\$154 78
Paid W. P. Goodman for books,	\$33 05
W. C. Gibson for books,	26 89
accession book,	6 37
Raymond Clark, librarian, for part of two years,	18 70
Cola M. Fogg, librarian, part of year,	7 50
Elmer F. Leighton, librarian,	15 00
Bertha A. Trickey for use of library building,	12 00
Orrin M. James, cash paid for supplies,	2 86
Mrs. S. H. Piper, librarian	20 00
Emily E. Foss, librarian, for part of year,	4 28
M. L. D. Bure for moving Centre li- brary,	4 75
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	\$151 40
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1924,	3 38
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	\$154 78

Books have been presented to the library during the year for which we wish to thank the donors.

ORRIN M. JAMES,
Treasurer.

Northwood, N. H., Feb. 4, 1924.

We, the undersigned, have this day examined the accounts of the Treasurer of Northwood Public Library, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HERBERT C. TOWLE,
CHARLES A. FOSS,
Auditors.

ADDITIONS SINCE FEB. 1., 1923

3607	Mere Man,	Edwin B. Morris
3608	The Heart of Rome,	F. Marion Crawford
3609	Mareken De Bruin,	Martha Trent
3610	Helen Carey,	Martha Trent
3611	Valerie Duval,	Martha Trent
3612	Lucia Rudini,	Martha Trent
3613	Penrod and Sam,	Booth Tarkington
3614	The Outdoor Girls of Pine Island,	Laura Lee Hope
3615	The Outdoor Girls of Deepdale,	Laura Lee Hope
3616	The Children of the Top Floor,	Nina Rhoades
3617	The Camp-fire Girls go Motoring,	Hildegard G. Freig
3618	Carloto of the Rancho,	Evelyn Raymond
3619	The Ranch Girls at Home Again,	Margaret Vandercook
3620	Elsie Dinsmore,	Martha Finley
3621	Operas Every Child Should Know,	Dolofor Bacon
3622	Five Little Peppers and How They Grew,	Margaret Sidney
3623	How Janice Day Won,	Helen Beecher Long
3624	Aunt Jane's Nieces and Uncle John,	Van Dyne

3625	Heidi,	Johanna Spyri
3626	The Luck of the Kid,	Ridgerell Cullum
3627	Aundrey,	Mary Johnston
3628	The Soul of Abe Lincoln,	Bernie Babcock
3629	The Sable Cloud,	Harriet V. C. Odgen
3630	The Mine With the Iron Door,	Harold Bell Wright
3631	Doctor Nye,	Joseph C. Lincoln
3632	Tomorrow About This Time,	Grace Livingston Hill
3633	Emily of New Moon,	L. M. Montgomery
3634	North of 36,	Emerson Hough
3635	Judy,	Temple Bailey
3636	The Loving are the Daring,	Holman Day
3637	A Son at the Front,	Edith Wharton
3638	Oliver October,	George B. McCutcheon
3639	Minglestreams,	Jane Abbott
3640	Captain Comstock, U. S. M. C.	Lieut. Colonel Giler Bishop, Jr.
3641	The Alaskan,	James O. Curwood
3642	Never the Twain Shall Meet,	Peter B. Kyne
3643	The Gaspards of Pine Croft,	Ralph Connor
3644	Rufus,	Grace S. Richmond
3645	The White Flag,	Gene Stratton Porter
3646	Lummox,	Fannie Hurst
3647	Fires of Ambition,	George Gibbs
3648	Money, Love and Kate,	Eleanor H. Porter
3649	Northern Neighbors,	Wilfred J. Grenfell
3650	The Land of Forgotten Men,	Edison Marshall
3651	Radio Simplified,	Kendall & Koehler
3652	The Wilderness Patrol,	Harold Bindloss
3653	The World Outside,	Harold MacGrath
3654	The Inverted Pyramid,	Bertrand W. Sinclair
3655	Feet of Clay,	Margaretta Tuttle
3656	The Call of the Canyon,	Zane Grey

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| 3657 | The Isle of Retribution, | Edison Marshall |
| 3658 | The Rover, | Joseph Conrad |

Respectfully submitted,

WASHINGTON T. LEIGHTON,
ORRIN M. JAMES,
CLARENCE C. SANBORN,
Trustees.

Old Home Week

Special significance attached to the observance of Old Home Week in Northwood, this year, from the fact that not only was the 300th anniversary of the State's settlement to be recognized; but, also, the 150th anniversary of the charter of the town, which was severed from Nottingham in 1775.

The interesting observance opened Sunday with union services in the Northwood Ridge church, Rev. John S. Buffum, pastor. The other churches represented were those at Northwood Narrows and Northwood Center. The church was decorated with flowers and banners.

The invocation was by Rev. John S. Buffum, and there was Scripture reading by Rev. A. H. Arms, retired; sermon on "Service" by Rev. G. N. Hilton, of Chestnut Hill, Mass., and prayer by Rev. H. P. Cutler, of Northwood Narrows. There were selections by the choir and a male quartette and a vocal duet by the Misses Doris and Mina Trickey.

Wednesday was observed as Old Home Day. The exercises opened at 9.30 A. M. with a band concert, followed by prayer by Rev. Mr. Goodwin, of East Northwood, and a flag raising at Legion Hall, the flag being unfurled by Miss Margaret Whitney. There was a salute to the flag by the school children.

A bronze tablet on a boulder on the parade grounds was presented the American Legion Post in behalf of the town by Walter Chesley. Professor J. W. Nelson delivered the response. The dedicatory address was by Major Frank Knox of Manchester.

In the afternoon there was a band concert in front of the Congregational church, Northwood Center. Then in the church, after a selection by the band and prayer by Rev. John S. Buffum of Northwood Ridge, the address of welcome was delivered by Clarence R. Bickford, and the response by Prof. Loring Williams of Boston. A vocal solo was given by Miss Doris Trickey.

The following resolution to ex-Gox. Albert O. Brown, a native of Northwood, was unanimously passed by a standing vote:

“Resolved, That people of Northwood, gathered to-day to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of our town, hereby extend to you a heartfelt sympathy in your time of sorrow and bereavement.”

In a paper, entitled “Incidents in the Early History of Northwood,” Miss Elizabeth B. Watson portrayed scenes in which some of the earliest settlers figured, and commented upon the part played by the men of the town in the Revolution.

The first speaker of the afternoon was Hon. C. W. Tobey, ex-speaker of the House of Representatives, who prefaced his address by reference to a message from ex-Governor Brown in which he regretted his inability to be present on this anniversary. Mr. Tobey discussed particularly the sense of responsibility which, according to him, we Americans all too often lack.

The next speaker was Rev. E. H. Prescott of Newburyport, Mass., a native of Northwood, who, with a fund of humor and anecdote, enlivened the first of his remarks and caused much amusement. Following the reminiscences, he spoke in more serious vein, upon the importance of true home life. In conclusion, Mr. Prescott spoke appreciatively of the work of ex-Governor Rollins, founder of Old Home Week.

The programme of the afternoon was brought to a close by the singing of "America," in which all joined. Many of those present immediately went to the ball field where a game was soon in progress between the Northwood and Rochester teams, resulting in a score of 8 to 1 in favor of Rochester.

A concert, by Nevers' band of Concord, which furnished music through the day, was given in the evening.

The committee whose careful work made this occasion pleasant were: Orrin M. James, chairman; Mrs. James L. Piper, secretary; Walter C. Chesley, treasurer; Annie H. Clarke, Mrs. J. F. Merrill, D. L. Miner, C. A. Foss, Mrs. Mary B. Whiting, Westley J. Nelson, Robert Frye, C. C. Sanborn and Harold W. Quimby.

Incidents in the Early History of Northwood

Written by Miss E. B. Watson for Old Home Day, Aug. 22, 1923.

One hundred and fifty years! A phrase easily said, but how many of us appreciate what those long years have brought in the way of change to Northwood? Most of us here know the town only as we see it today and the memory even of the oldest of us does not go back very far along the path of that century and a half. To cover all the happenings of those years, to pay tribute to all who have done work worthy of commemoration, would demand more time than is ours today. But it is altogether fitting that, on this occasion, we turn back to consider for a few moments some incidents in our early history. And, since this is the age of the moving picture, let us, in fancy, look first at a series of scenes typical of the beginnings of our town.

The year is 1762. The time is early spring. Birds are singing, buds are swelling on the trees and tiny streams, so recently ice-bound, are dancing in the sunlight. Through the somber stretches of unbroken forest that extend north from the little settlement in Nottingham come four stalwart woodsmen. On their shoulders are axes, guns and provisions for several days. They with others have heard of the abundance of game, the fertility of the soil and the richness of the forest in this section, known to them as the North Woods; and true pioneers, they have come to see for themselves, to explore, and perhaps later to settle. Can you see them as they stalk sturdily, yet always alertly, through the deep woods looking with eagerness at this territory new to them, and yet not unconscious that hostile Indians may be lurking behind any tree? These men, Moses Godfrey with John and Increase Batchelder from Hampton and Solomon Bickford from Lee are the four earliest settlers of our town.

But the picture changes. A night has passed, a night broken by the howling of wolves that prowled around the rude shelter which had been hastily built. Again morning has dawned bright and clear and, as these men, now more than six miles from the Nottingham settlement, see the beautiful slope of land which we call the Ridge, three of them decide that near this shall be their homes. The fourth hesitates. He, too, sees the streams that will furnish power for their grist mills later, the natural meadows which mean forage for cattle and horses, and yet he feels an urge to go on. One of the three goes with him as a companion. On to the northwest they press, through woodland, past lake and hill, till they come to a spot where a narrow ridge of land rises abruptly between two brooks. On either side are meadows; water power is abundant, and

near here Solomon Bickford, satisfied at last, resolves that he will build his house and bring his family.

Again the scene shifts. More than a year and a half has gone by. The three pioneers of the first scene who, after building a cabin returned to Hampton, are now settled at the east end of the Ridge slope. It is December, 1763. The short gray day is drawing to a close. Through the west section of the northwoods a man, a woman, and two small children are pushing wearily on their way. Anxiously husband and wife peer through the gathering dusk. They are searching for the site located by him a year and a half earlier. At length they find it. With sighs of relief they prepare to camp, to start a fire that will ward off the piercing chill when—calamity of calamities!—they discover that they have no flint and tinder. Through some tragic mistake, the precious materials for striking a spark and getting blaze have been left behind. And now all the courage, all the patience of the pioneer is needed indeed, for the father must go back to the little settlement to the east, some seven or eight tedious miles as his trail winds, while the mother must wait long hours with enemies lurking in the encircling gloom. This family is that of Solomon Bickford, the first settler at the Narrows.

And still one more picture. Several years have elapsed. A thriving hamlet has sprung up near where the first three woodsmen built. Already the term the North Woods has become Northwood. Other settlers have located farther to the northwest and, at the Narrows, Solomon Bickford has been joined by several friends, among them Col. Samuel Johnson, whose memory is perpetuated by a tablet sunk in the rock under the shelter of which he passed his first night, within a stone's throw of the place where he afterwards built,

a site familiar to us as the birthplace of our townsman and Ex-Gov., Albert O. Brown. On this particular day men are working to make somewhat more passable the rough path connecting the east and west settlements. Deacon Solomon Bickford, who is directing the work, finds several men trying to remove a stump of considerable size from the path and remonstrates with them for a useless waste of time and effort. The workers explain that they thought it might be well to have this path one over which a horse and chaise could travel. But Deacon Solomon exclaims in disgust, "I had just as soon expect to see a ten ton gunlow come sailing up the brook to my mill, as to see a horse and chaise ever come over this road." Needless to say, while the good deacon probably never saw the gunlow come sailing up the brook, long before the end of his life, for he lived to the ripe age of 96, he saw many a horse and carriage pass over the turnpike which replaced the rough road of the story.

All these scenes are laid before the incorporation of the town in February, 1773. It is worthy of note that in March of the same year the town voted, "to raise six pounds lawful money to hire preaching and seven pounds, four shillings for schooling." This for a town but six weeks old is a brave beginning. But the work to be done by church and school was not even in those early days neglected. Quaint old records testify that these forefathers of ours not only had the practical shrewdness to provide for water power and forage but the sagacity and judgment to realize that in men who were to manage wisely their own affairs and those of the infant town certain standards of training must be met. Mr. Cogswell in his "History of Northwood, Deerfield, and Nottingham" says of them, "It will be seen that early settlers began their

work with religion and education. They had in their towns whence they came the benefits of the sanctuary and the school house and though in a vast forest and among rude dwellings they resolved that the sabbath should not be neglected and that their children should not grow up without knowledge." As early as 1772 a church structure was erected at East Northwood and a church society was organized. A few years later, in 1780, the group favoring Congregationalism voted to build a meeting house at the Center. The Freewill Baptist church was not organized till 1832. Among the early ministers of the town, who served so faithfully the people of their scattered parishes, were the Reverend Edmund Pillsbury of the Calvin Baptist church and, somewhat later, the Reverend Josiah Puntic at the Congregational church, pastor there for a period of forty-three years.

The building of school houses was a matter to which the little town early gave serious thought. In the late 1700's there were five school districts: The Morrill, the Johnson, the Center, the Batchelder, and the Knowlton. Evidently, too, then as now, there were sometimes divergencies of opinion in school matters and one may read curious things between the lines in the following extracts from votes of the town:

May 7, 1792 "Voted that the Senrows Schoolhouse be Seat by the Narrows."

June 26, 1792 "Voted that the Senter District move the Senter School house and Set it on the corner of John Crockets land the North Side of the Road by Eleazer Watsons. Voted the Town wood not move the lower School house uppon the expense of the Town."

March 19, 1793 "Voted to except the Senter School house as Benjamin Hill built it."

March 25, 1793 "Voted that tha wood not Receive the School house that Daniel Hoit built," and "Voted that Daniel Hoit refund back Forty three Dollars out of the money that he Rec'd towards Building a School house."

Among the earliest teachers are names of the Rev. Edmund Pillsbury, mentioned earlier, Master Thomas Demeritt, Master Samuel Buzell, and Master Chace C. Hill. The Rev. E. C. Cogswell, of a little later period, is still remembered affectionately and gratefully by hosts of former Northwood pupils, not only as teacher, but as pastor, historian and friend.

Two years after the incorporation of the town came the Revolution and isolated as she was, with a population of only 313, Northwood played no mean part in the long struggle. As early as March of that year, one of her citizens, Benjamin Hill, had attended a congress at Exeter to consider what should be the action of New Hampshire at this crisis. The feeling of the citizens is shown by the statement that, three days after the battle of Lexington and Concord, the men of the town voted "to be equipt at a moment's warning." At this same meeting it was voted to enlist eight men "for this present distress" and eight names are given of men who promptly volunteered to enlist. (These were Samuel Johnson, William Woolis, Eliphalet Taylor, William Blake, Nathaniel Twombly, Benjamin Johnson, Jr., Simon Batchelder and Abraham Batchelder.) Also the pledge signed by the men of Northwood at that time bears mute but eloquent testimony to their high courage and devotion. In it they solemnly promised that they will, to the utmost of their power and the risk of their lives and fortunes, "with arms oppose the hostile proceedings of the British Fleets and

Armies against the United American Colonies." Several men from this town upon hearing the news of Lexington "started afoot with guns and knapsacks, joined Cilley, Deerborn, McClary, and others at Nottingham and reached Medford the following morning after traveling all night, eager to join their companions in arms," says one historian.

Nor are the women unmentioned. Deacon Simon Batchelder, one of the volunteers, says, "The women were worse than the men. They would not let them sleep a-nights but made them take their guns and knapsacks and go in-to the ranks, telling them they would take care of the farms in their absence. They even cut down the trees and cleared the land in many instances, so that some who were absent a number of years did not know their own homes when they returned." Over and again the records attest to the finest patriotism and the practice of great public and private self denial. As Mr. Cogswell sums it up: "With a population of little more than 300, with small clearings and rude dwellings; with few cattle or sheep or horses; with no market at hand and with little or nothing to carry to market or from which to realize money; yet they contrived to put into the army the full quota of able-bodied men, and to pay liberal bounties, and provide for the families of the needy." Years afterwards at the call of the Civil War, Northwood's response was no less prompt. More than a hundred boys in Blue went from this town, a record which speaks well for Northwood.

Three other events of more or less historic significance to the town were: The opening of the Concord-Portsmouth turnpike, the visit of President Monroe and that of General Lafayette. This road was the first constructed turnpike in New Hampshire, the company

that built it being incorporated in June 1796. Probably no place on the entire route profited by the opening of this highway as much as Northwood, which lay half way on the line between the Capital and the Atlantic. Travel through the town increased and much trade from neighboring towns poured in, the principal points of business being then, as now, East Northwood, the Ridge (long called Clark's Hill), the Center and the Narrows.

The visit of President Monroe occurred in 1817. On his way from Concord to Dover he stayed for a while at the inn kept by Deacon Jonathan Piper. This house, then known as one of the best taverns in the state and one where Daniel Webster and other distinguished public men often stayed, is better known to us as Veazey house, the office of our Central Telephone Exchange.

In 1825 Lafayette, revisiting this country nearly fifty years after the events of the Revolution in which he had rendered such gallant aid, came to our town. Accompanied by his son and a considerable escort, he left Concord early in the morning and stopped for breakfast at the well known inn of Deacon Jonathan Piper which had been elaborately decorated in his honor. Here hundreds of people gathered to greet the famous man, among them a little group of men who had fought with him in the Revolution so many years before.

When the general returned to Concord he once more stopped at the house, this time for a quiet night of rest.

These are only a few incidents in the history of our town. Later years have their full share. But those of later years are perhaps more familiar to us all and in less danger of being forgotten than are those asso-

ciated with its beginnings. To the men and women of those first years we owe an especial debt of gratitude. Their dauntless courage, their fortitude, their devotion, we can hardly overestimate. Our appreciation of their worth can be shown in no better way than the attempt to emulate these sterling traits of character and to keep alive the lofty spirit that animated all their effort.

Vital Statistics

Births Registered in the Town of Northwood, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1923

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of the Child (if any)	Male or Female	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color Parents	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Age of Father	Age of Mother
1922															
Dec. 11	Northwood	Eldore Leo	M		6	W	Alfred O. Daudelin	Bessie E. Brown	All White	Northwood	Shoe Cutter	Chicago, Ill.	Manchester	26	28
1923															
Jan. 10	"	Addie Mae	F		3	"	Elmer H. Holmes	Cassie L. Tuttle		"	Shoemaker	Nottingham	Northwood	27	26
" 29	"	Ada B.	F		1	"	Myron L. Wakefield	Josephine Davis		"	Laborer	Belcher'n, Ms.	Pittsfield	31	28
Feb. 13	Woburn, Ms.	Edward Manson	M		2	"	Edward M. Gates	Glady's L. Simmons		"	Tel. Agent	Woburn, Ms.	Enfield	24	22
Apr. 9	Northwood	Alice Louise	F		2	"	Lyle Mackenzie	Laura Kelley		"	Lumberman	"	Northwood	31	19
" 29	"	Shirley Irene	F		6	"	John William Small	Florence M. Arlin		"	Shoe Cutter	"	Barrington	27	25
May 26	"	Allan Frederick	M		2	"	Lester L. Gray	Nina R. Caswell		"	Chauffeur	Int'l'n. N. Y.	Northwood	27	24
June 26	"	Nellie Audrey	F		2	"	Myron N. Smith	Florence Wallace		"	Clerk	Northwood	"	24	20
July 31	"	Ernestine	F		4	"	Ernest P. Thorne	Addie L. Kelley		"	Meat Cutter	England	"	43	30
Aug. 29	"	Ethel L.	F		2	"	Gilman M. Smith	Dorris F. Jones		"	Farmer	Deerfield	"	29	24
Sept. 23	"	Virginia Louise	F		3	"	Samuel Johnson	Rachel L. Tasker		"	"	Northwood	Pittsfield	26	23
Oct. 20	"	Ruth B.	F		7	"	John B. Fortier	Ma R. Edgerley		"	Laborer	Canada	"	38	30

Deaths Registered in the Town of Northwood for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1923

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Single or Widowed	Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Disease, or Cause of Death
			Years	Months						Father	Mother			
1923	Northwood	Susan Pinkham	75	2	9	F	All White	W Housewife	Stratford	Ht'f'rd, Cn.	George W. Willey	Elizabeth Marks	Cere. Hemmor.	
Feb. 15	"	Ida J. Canney	65	4	17	F		M Housewife	Manches'r		Wallace Dickey	Clarinda J. Annis	Lob. Pneumonia	
Mar. 5	"	Henry F. Day	84	4	17	M		M Farmer	Dover		John E. Day	Hannah Davis	Cere. Hemmor.	
" 20	"	John S. Brown	73	11	2	M		S Laborer	Barrington		John Brown		Bron. Pneumonia	
Apr. 8	"	Mary J. Knowles	85	3	25	F		W Housewife	Stratford	Lowell, Ms.	Timothy Drew	Sophia Caverly	Cere. Hemmor.	
May 3	"	Mary E. Witham	82	10	2	F		W Housewife	Lowell, Ms.	Read'g, Ms.	Wilson	Mary Austin	Cere. Hemmor.	
" 5	"	Maria Emerson	85	9	5	F		W Housewife	W'im'n, Ms	Northwood	Oliver Carter	Sarah Goodhue	Cancer, Breast	
" 21	"	Alvin H. Roberts	78	7	11	M		M Retired	Northwood	Northwood	Rufus Roberts	Abigail Cilley	Lob. Pneumonia	
" 31	"	Herman Brown	66	2	27	M		M Shoemaker	Northwood	Northwood	Paul Brown	Elizabeth Day	Cere. Hemmor.	
June 28	Manches'r	Hazel C. Nelson	28	7	22	F		M School Tchr.	P Pl's N Y	Aub'nd'e, Ms.	How'd E. Crandall	Fannie L. Shelton	Cancer of Liver	
July 10	Northwood	Hannah Marden	90	8	15	F		W Housewife	Northwood	Deerfield	Paul Silas Giles	Eliza Ladd	Chro. In. Nep.	
" 30	"	Clarissa J. Kelley	88	10	4	F		W Housewife	Pittsfield	Pittsfield	Rich'd F. Emer'sn	De'tia H. Goss	Chr. Endocarditis	
Aug. 10	Pembroke	Dolly S. James	103	4	5	F		W Retired	Northwood	Northwood	Dudley C. Hill	Judith Bartlett	Arterior Sclerosis	
" 23	Northwood	Clara B. Steward	75	7	30	F		W Housewife	Skowhegan	Show'gn, Me	Joseph I. Burrill	Lovina Pooler	Cancer of Kidney	
" 24	"	Elizabeth Conley	82	7	30	F		W Housewife	Nottingham	Notting'hm	James Willey	Elizabeth A. Witham	Chr. Endocarditis	
Sept. 12	L'well, Ms.	Mitchell E. Byron	67	1	8	M		M Toolmaker	Manches'r	Northwood	Peter J. Byron		Acute Nephritis	
" 26	Northwood	Allan F. Gray	55	1	28	M		S Postmist'r's	In'k'n, N.Y.	Northwood	Lester L. Gray	Nina R. Caswell	Enlarged Thyroids	
Oct. 19	"	Annie H. Clarke	59	6	4	F		M Shoemaker	Pittsfield	Northwood	Benj. W. Clarke	Mary A. Brown	Pul. Tuberculosis	
Dec. 19	"	Fern'ndo W. Hill	82	8	17	M		M Shoemaker	Tuftsboro'	Northwood	Charles H. Hill	Martha Cilley	Pul. Tuberculosis	
" 28	"	Wm. I. Holmes	82	8	17	M		W Carpenter	Randph		Joseph Holmes	Sophia Stevens	Apoplexy	

Brought to Northwood for Burial

1922 Dec. 2	Rochester	Chas. S. Barker	72 5 2	Baxonv'e, Ms.	All White		England	England	Thomas Barker	Hannah Hubbard	Arterio Sclerosis
					M	M					
1923 Mar. 14	Dover	Clara A. Leavitt	72 11 30								Angina Pectoris
Dec. 17	Derry	Carrie E. Giles	66 10 14								Pluro Pneumonia

Marriages Registered in the Town of Northwood, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1923

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age in Years	Color of Each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. Marriage	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
1923 Jan. 21	Northwood	Clifton C. Perkins	Pittsfield	30	All White	Shoemaker	Pittsfield	Frank A. Perkins	Pittsfield	Shoemaker	1	Rev. John S. Buffum
		Mary W. Kelley	Northwood	25		Housekeeper	Northwood	Mary E. Clark	Pittsfield	Housewife	1	Northwood
June 17	Not'ng'h'm	John Leone	"	24		Auto. Mec'nc	New York	Charles H. Kelley	Northwood	Housewife	1	Rev. W. C. Goodwin
		Bessie M. Corson	Nottingham	25		Fcy. Stitcher	Rochester	Mary H. Lang	Forenza, Italy	Stone Mason	1	Northwood
June 18	N. B'k. M.	Goodale A. Dixon	Wells, Me.	28		Farmer	Wells, Me.	Alfonso Leone	Forenza, Italy	Housewife	1	
		Hazel Pender	Northwood	19		At Home	Northwood	Antonia Cisco	Lebanon, Me.	Laster	1	
Aug. 18	Northwood	Lewis G. Clark	"	24		Farmer	Deerfield	Walter E. Corson	Rochester	Nurse	1	Rev. Erolld R. Farrar
		Lulu M. Bean	"	29		Housewife	Deerfield	Sarah F. Hartford	Wells, Me.	Farmer	1	No. Berwick, Me.
Sept. 1	Concord	Trev'ly'n A. Corson	"	23		Shoe Cutter	Northwood	George Dixon	Wells, Me.	At Home	1	
		Myrtle Bartlett	Concord	27		Housewife	Concord	Patience Dixon	Northwood	Shoemaker	2	Rev. J. S. Buffum
Oct. 13	Northwood	Ray Smith	Northwood	25		Shoemaker	Northwood	Fred Pender	Deerfield	Farmer	2	Northwood
		Lucena Cassavant	"	21		Shoe Worker	Northwood	George H. Clark	Deerfield	Housewife	2	Rev. Carl C. Clarke
Dec. 22	"	John A. Towns'nd	Wells, Me.	53		Farmer	Haverhill, Ms.	Mary A. Clark	Methuen, Ms.	Farmer	2	Concord
		Edna Ramsdell	York, Me.	27		Housekeeper	York, Me.	Fred J. Raymond	Newmarket	Housewife	2	Rev. J. S. Buffum
								Rose B. Raymond	Durham	Farmer	2	Northwood
								Samuel Corson	Northwood	Housewife	2	Concord
								Bert Manley	Washington	Electrician	2	
								Annie Carr	Goshen	Housewife	2	
								Roy H. Smith	Northwood	Painter	2	
								Stella Streeter	Canaan	Shoe Worker	2	
								Robert Cassavant	Barnstead	Machinist	2	
								Emma Bennett	Northwood	Housewife	2	
								Ezekiel Townsend	Wells, Me.	Farmer	2	Rev. J. S. Buffum
								Belinda Guptill	Berwick, Me.	Housewife	2	Northwood
								Chester Ramsdell	Prince, R. I.	Farmer	1	Housewife
								Sarah Melenin				

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